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To: House Transportation Committee  
From: Vince Consiglio, President, ABATE of Michigan  
RE: HB 4919

Honorable Committee Members:

I am sorry I am unable to attend the hearing today due to work commitments. ABATE of Michigan supports HB 4919 and would like to thank Representative Barrett for introducing this legislation. Motorcycle parades have been around since motorcycle riding began. I have ridden in many parades and riding events in-state and out of state. The Harley-Davidson parade in Milwaukee in 2003 had approximately 10,000 motorcyclists riding the blocked streets, lined with cheering people. It was the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary parade.

This bill would allow motorcycle parades to ride together in a group. The advantage of riding together in a group is normally much safer than riding individually. The group would be allowed to proceed through traffic lights, therefore keeping the group together.

Again, I am sorry I was unable to attend the hearing, but I am available to answer questions by e-mail and phone.

Please support this legislation.

Thanks,

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